Call the Concussion Management Clinic for an appointment at 747-7250

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Sports related and other forms of concussion require post-concussion management to ensure recovery of cognitive functioning. Recent research shows that proper management of a concussion leads to a safer return to play, the classroom and jobs. While many concussions cannot be prevented because it is part of all contact sports, we want to keep individuals playing while keeping them safe. We are better able to do this today with our new knowledge of the injury and better methods to evaluate and manage.

We all need to be more aware of concussions. More objective evaluation tools for concussions at all levels of sports offers more cautious guidelines so that players can continue to play sports and be safe doing it. Even mild concussions can have significant effects; multiple concussions before previous ones have healed may lead to poor outcomes.

The Concussion Management Clinic, as part of the UTEP Speech and Hearing Clinic, located in the Department of the Rehabilitation Sciences, College of Health Sciences provides the experience and expertise to properly manage post-concussion recovery. Sports related concussion management involves the latest cognitive testing instrument (ImPact™), a well developed plan and consultation to maximize recovery. The traditional “How many fingers am I holding up?” to evaluate a concussion is “No more”. Parents frequently report that, “Kids tell us they felt fine and didn’t even tell their parents or trainers about their concussions.” A player’s report that “I feel fine.” frequently does not reflect a player’s true cognitive status. We now have an objective tool, we know more, and there is more to learn.

The clinic is led by Dr. Anthony P. Salvatore, Chair, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, Board Certified by the Academy of Neurologic Communication Disorders and Sciences (ANCDS), clinically certified in speech-language pathology and licensed to practice by the State of Texas.

Services Offered:
Baseline assessment of athletes is crucial for the management of a future concussion. This baseline assessment will provide valuable information for the assessment and management of recovery following a concussion.

Post-concussion assessment and treatment is a necessary step in the management and recovery from a concussion. After receiving a concussion and/or medical clearance following a concussion an individual should be seen in the Concussion Management Clinic to assess their cognitive functioning, implementing a plan to maximize recovery; specifically implementing a schedule for returning to school, physical activity, return-to-play, or return-to-job.

Contact the Concussion Management Clinic at UTEP by calling 747-7250 for further information. The clinic is located in the College of Health Sciences, Room 107, 1101 N. Campbell Street, El Paso, Texas.